

# Three Rondavels Lookout

## CHECKLIST *of* BIRDS



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### RED DATA: Regional\*, Global

CR Critically Endangered  
EN Endangered  
VU Vulnerable  
NR Near Threatened  
LC Least Concern  
EX Extinct (regionally)  
DD Data Deficient  
NR Not Recognised by BirdLife International  
NA Not Assessed

### STATUS IN SOUTH AFRICA

V Vagrant  
I Introduced

*\*The 2015 Eskom Red Data Book of Birds of South Africa, Lesotho and Swaziland*

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### ENDEMISM IN SOUTH AFRICA(not southern africa, as in field guides)

E Endemic  
SLS Endemic to South Africa, Lesotho and Swaziland  
NE Near endemic (i.e. ~70% or more of population in RSA)  
BNE Breeding near endemic

This checklist was generated using data from the Southern African Bird Atlas Project (SABAP2; [sabap2.birdmap.africa](http://sabap2.birdmap.africa)) captured by citizen scientists in the surrounding area (approximately 60km<sup>2</sup>). As such, this checklist is descriptive of the general area and may include birds not normally found at this site. Rare birds with low occurrence or no reports in the atlas data may also be missing from this list.

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SPECIES	
1	<b>Apalis, Bar-throated</b> <i>Apalis thoracica</i>
2	<b>Apalis, Yellow-breasted</b> <i>Apalis flavida</i>
3	<b>Babbler, Arrow-marked</b> <i>Turdoides jardineii</i>
4	<b>Barbet, Acacia Pied</b> <i>Tricholaema leucomelas</i>
5	<b>Barbet, Black-collared</b> <i>Lybius torquatus</i>
6	<b>Barbet, Crested</b> <i>Trachyphonus vaillantii</i>
7	<b>Batis, Cape</b> <i>Batis capensis</i>
8	<b>Batis, Chinspot</b> <i>Batis molitor</i>
9	<b>Bee-eater, European</b> <i>Merops apiaster</i>
10	<b>Bee-eater, Little</b> <i>Merops pusillus</i>
11	<b>Bee-eater, White-fronted</b> <i>Merops bullockoides</i>
12	<b>Bishop, Southern Red</b> <i>Euplectes orix</i>
13	<b>Bokmakierie, Bokmakierie</b> <i>Telophorus zeylonus</i>
14	<b>Boubou, Southern</b> <i>Laniarius ferrugineus</i>
15	<b>Brownbul, Terrestrial</b> <i>Phyllastrephus terrestris</i>
16	<b>Brubru, Brubru</b> <i>Nilaus afer</i>
17	<b>Bulbul, Dark-capped</b> <i>Pycnonotus tricolor</i>
18	<b>Bunting, Cape</b> <i>Emberiza capensis</i>
19	<b>Bunting, Cinnamon-breasted</b> <i>Emberiza tahapisi</i>
20	<b>Bunting, Golden-breasted</b> <i>Emberiza flaviventris</i>
21	<b>Bushshrike, Black-fronted</b> <i>Chlorophoneus nigrifrons</i>
22	<b>Bushshrike, Gorgeous</b> <i>Telophorus viridis</i>
23	<b>Bushshrike, Grey-headed</b> <i>Malaconotus blanchoti</i>
24	<b>Bushshrike, Olive</b> <i>Chlorophoneus olivaceus</i>
25	<b>Bushshrike, Orange-breasted</b> <i>Chlorophoneus sulfureopectus</i>
26	<b>Buzzard, Common</b> <i>Buteo buteo</i>
27	<b>Buzzard, Forest</b> <i>Buteo trizonatus</i> (NT, LC, SLS)
28	<b>Buzzard, Jackal</b> <i>Buteo rufofuscus</i> (NE)
29	<b>Camaroptera, Green-backed</b> <i>Camaroptera brachyura</i>
30	<b>Canary, Cape</b> <i>Serinus canicollis</i>
31	<b>Canary, Forest</b> <i>Crithagra scotops</i> (SLS)
32	<b>Canary, Yellow-fronted</b> <i>Crithagra mozambica</i>
33	<b>Chat, Familiar</b> <i>Oenanthe familiaris</i>

SPECIES	
34	<b>Chat, Mocking Cliff</b> <i>Thamnolaea cinnamomeiventris</i>
35	<b>Cisticola, Lazy</b> <i>Cisticola aberrans</i>
36	<b>Cisticola, Rattling</b> <i>Cisticola chiniana</i>
37	<b>Cisticola, Red-faced</b> <i>Cisticola erythrops</i>
38	<b>Cisticola, Wailing</b> <i>Cisticola lais</i>
39	<b>Cisticola, Zitting</b> <i>Cisticola juncidis</i>
40	<b>Cormorant, Reed</b> <i>Microcarbo africanus</i>
41	<b>Cormorant, White-breasted</b> <i>Phalacrocorax lucidus</i>
42	<b>Coucal, Burchell's</b> <i>Centropus burchellii</i>
43	<b>Crombec, Long-billed</b> <i>Sylvietta rufescens</i>
44	<b>Crow, Pied</b> <i>Corvus albus</i>
45	<b>Cuckoo, African Emerald</b> <i>Chrysococcyx cupreus</i>
46	<b>Cuckoo, Black</b> <i>Cuculus clamosus</i>
47	<b>Cuckoo, Diederik</b> <i>Chrysococcyx caprius</i>
48	<b>Cuckoo, Klaas's</b> <i>Chrysococcyx klaas</i>
49	<b>Cuckoo, Red-chested</b> <i>Cuculus solitarius</i>
50	<b>Cuckooshrike, Black</b> <i>Campephaga flava</i>
51	<b>Cuckooshrike, Grey</b> <i>Ceblepyris caesius</i>
52	<b>Darter, African</b> <i>Anhinga rufa</i>
53	<b>Dove, Emerald-spotted Wood</b> <i>Turtur chalcospilos</i>
54	<b>Dove, Laughing</b> <i>Spilopelia senegalensis</i>
55	<b>Dove, Lemon</b> <i>Columba larvata</i>
56	<b>Dove, Red-eyed</b> <i>Streptopelia semitorquata</i>
57	<b>Dove, Ring-necked</b> <i>Streptopelia capicola</i>
58	<b>Dove, Tambourine</b> <i>Turtur tympanistria</i>
59	<b>Drongo, Common Square-tailed</b> <i>Dicrurus ludwigii</i>
60	<b>Drongo, Fork-tailed</b> <i>Dicrurus adsimilis</i>
61	<b>Eagle-Owl, Spotted</b> <i>Bubo africanus</i>
62	<b>Eagle, African Fish</b> <i>Haliaeetus vocifer</i>
63	<b>Eagle, Brown Snake</b> <i>Circaetus cinereus</i>
64	<b>Eagle, Crowned</b> <i>Stephanoaetus coronatus</i> (VU, NT)
65	<b>Eagle, Long-crested</b> <i>Lophaetus occipitalis</i>
66	<b>Eagle, Verreaux's</b> <i>Aquila verreauxii</i> (VU, LC)

SPECIES	
67	<b>Eagle, Wahlberg's</b> <i>Hieraaetus wahlbergi</i>
68	<b>Egret, Western Cattle</b> <i>Bubulcus ibis</i>
69	<b>Falcon, Lanner</b> <i>Falco biarmicus</i> (VU, LC)
70	<b>Falcon, Peregrine</b> <i>Falco peregrinus</i>
71	<b>Falcon, Taita</b> <i>Falco fasciinucha</i> (CR, VU)
72	<b>Finch, Cut-throat</b> <i>Amadina fasciata</i>
73	<b>Finfoot, African</b> <i>Podica senegalensis</i> (VU, LC)
74	<b>Firefinch, African</b> <i>Lagonosticta rubricata</i>
75	<b>Firefinch, Jameson's</b> <i>Lagonosticta rhodopareia</i>
76	<b>Firefinch, Red-billed</b> <i>Lagonosticta senegala</i>
77	<b>Fiscal, Southern</b> <i>Lanius collaris</i>
78	<b>Flycatcher, African Dusky</b> <i>Muscicapa adusta</i>
79	<b>Flycatcher, African Paradise</b> <i>Terpsiphone viridis</i>
80	<b>Flycatcher, Ashy</b> <i>Muscicapa caerulescens</i>
81	<b>Flycatcher, Blue-mantled Crested</b> <i>Trochocercus cyanomelas</i>
82	<b>Flycatcher, Pale</b> <i>Melaenornis pallidus</i>
83	<b>Flycatcher, Southern Black</b> <i>Melaenornis pammelaina</i>
84	<b>Flycatcher, Spotted</b> <i>Muscicapa striata</i>
85	<b>Francolin, Crested</b> <i>Dendroperdix sephaena</i>
86	<b>Francolin, Shelley's</b> <i>Scleroptila shelleyi</i>
87	<b>Go-away-bird, Grey</b> <i>Corythaixoides concolor</i>
88	<b>Goose, Egyptian</b> <i>Alopochen aegyptiaca</i>
89	<b>Goose, Spur-winged</b> <i>Plectropterus gambensis</i>
90	<b>Goshawk, African</b> <i>Accipiter tachiro</i>
91	<b>Grassbird, Cape</b> <i>Sphenoeacus afer</i> (NE)
92	<b>Greenbul, Sombre</b> <i>Andropadus importunus</i>
93	<b>Greenbul, Yellow-bellied</b> <i>Chlorocichla flaviventris</i>
94	<b>Greenbul, Yellow-streaked</b> <i>Phyllastrephus flavostriatus</i>
95	<b>Guineafowl, Helmeted</b> <i>Numida meleagris</i>
96	<b>Hamerkop, Hamerkop</b> <i>Scopus umbretta</i>
97	<b>Harrier-Hawk, African</b> <i>Polyboroides typus</i>
98	<b>Helmetshrike, Retz's</b> <i>Prionops retzii</i>
99	<b>Helmetshrike, White-crested</b> <i>Prionops plumatus</i>

SPECIES	
100	<b>Heron, Striated</b> <i>Butorides striata</i>
101	<b>Honeyguide, Greater</b> <i>Indicator indicator</i>
102	<b>Honeyguide, Lesser</b> <i>Indicator minor</i>
103	<b>Honeyguide, Scaly-throated</b> <i>Indicator variegatus</i>
104	<b>Hoopoe, African</b> <i>Upupa africana</i>
105	<b>Hoopoe, Green Wood</b> <i>Phoeniculus purpureus</i>
106	<b>Hornbill, Southern Yellow-billed</b> <i>Tockus leucomelas</i>
107	<b>Hornbill, Trumpeter</b> <i>Bycanistes bucinator</i>
108	<b>Ibis, Hadada</b> <i>Bostrychia hagedash</i>
109	<b>Ibis, Southern Bald</b> <i>Geronticus calvus</i> (VU, SLS)
110	<b>Indigobird, Dusky</b> <i>Vidua funerea</i>
111	<b>Indigobird, Village</b> <i>Vidua chalybeata</i>
112	<b>Kestrel, Rock</b> <i>Falco rupicolus</i>
113	<b>Kingfisher, African Pygmy</b> <i>Ispidina picta</i>
114	<b>Kingfisher, Brown-hooded</b> <i>Halcyon albiventris</i>
115	<b>Kingfisher, Giant</b> <i>Megaceryle maxima</i>
116	<b>Kingfisher, Half-collared</b> <i>Alcedo semitorquata</i> (NT, LC)
117	<b>Kingfisher, Pied</b> <i>Ceryle rudis</i>
118	<b>Kingfisher, Striped</b> <i>Halcyon chelicuti</i>
119	<b>Kingfisher, Woodland</b> <i>Halcyon senegalensis</i>
120	<b>Kite, Black-winged</b> <i>Elanus caeruleus</i>
121	<b>Kite, Yellow-billed</b> <i>Milvus aegyptius</i>
122	<b>Lark, Rufous-naped</b> <i>Mirafra africana</i>
123	<b>Longclaw, Cape</b> <i>Macronyx capensis</i>
124	<b>Longclaw, Yellow-throated</b> <i>Macronyx croceus</i>
125	<b>Mannikin, Bronze</b> <i>Spermestes cucullata</i>
126	<b>Mannikin, Red-backed</b> <i>Spermestes nigriceps</i>
127	<b>Martin, Rock</b> <i>Ptyonoprogne fuligula</i>
128	<b>Mousebird, Red-faced</b> <i>Urocolius indicus</i>
129	<b>Mousebird, Speckled</b> <i>Colius striatus</i>
130	<b>Myna, Common</b> <i>Acridotheres tristis</i> (I)
131	<b>Neddicky, Neddicky</b> <i>Cisticola fulvicapilla</i>
132	<b>Nightjar, Fiery-necked</b> <i>Caprimulgus pectoralis</i>

SPECIES	
133	<b>Nightjar, Freckled</b> <i>Caprimulgus tristigma</i>
134	<b>Oriole, Black-headed</b> <i>Oriolus larvatus</i>
135	<b>Owl, African Wood</b> <i>Strix woodfordii</i>
136	<b>Owl, Western Barn</b> <i>Tyto alba</i>
137	<b>Oxpecker, Red-billed</b> <i>Buphagus erythrorhynchus</i>
138	<b>Pigeon, African Green</b> <i>Treron calvus</i>
139	<b>Pigeon, African Olive</b> <i>Columba arquatrix</i>
140	<b>Pigeon, Speckled</b> <i>Columba guinea</i>
141	<b>Pipit, African</b> <i>Anthus cinnamomeus</i>
142	<b>Pipit, Nicholson's</b> <i>Anthus nicholsoni</i>
143	<b>Pipit, Striped</b> <i>Anthus lineiventris</i>
144	<b>Prinia, Drakensberg</b> <i>Prinia hypoxantha</i> (SLS)
145	<b>Prinia, Tawny-flanked</b> <i>Prinia subflava</i>
146	<b>Puffback, Black-backed</b> <i>Dryoscopus cubla</i>
147	<b>Pytilia, Green-winged</b> <i>Pytilia melba</i>
148	<b>Quailfinch, Quailfinch</b> <i>Ortygospiza atricollis</i>
149	<b>Quelea, Red-billed</b> <i>Quelea quelea</i>
150	<b>Raven, White-necked</b> <i>Corvus albicollis</i>
151	<b>Robin-Chat, Cape</b> <i>Cossypha caffra</i>
152	<b>Robin-Chat, Chorister</b> <i>Cossypha dichroa</i> (SLS)
153	<b>Robin-Chat, Red-capped</b> <i>Cossypha natalensis</i>
154	<b>Robin-Chat, White-browed</b> <i>Cossypha heuglini</i>
155	<b>Robin-Chat, White-throated</b> <i>Cossypha humeralis</i>
156	<b>Robin, Bearded Scrub</b> <i>Cercotrichas quadrivirgata</i>
157	<b>Robin, White-browed Scrub</b> <i>Cercotrichas leucophrys</i>
158	<b>Robin, White-starred</b> <i>Pogonocichla stellata</i>
159	<b>Saw-wing, Black</b> <i>Psalidoprocne pristoptera</i>
160	<b>Scimitarbill, Common</b> <i>Rhinopomastus cyanomelas</i>
161	<b>Seedeater, Streaky-headed</b> <i>Crithagra gularis</i>
162	<b>Shikra, Shikra</b> <i>Accipiter badius</i>
163	<b>Sparrow, House</b> <i>Passer domesticus</i> (I)
164	<b>Sparrow, Southern Grey-headed</b> <i>Passer diffusus</i>
165	<b>Sparrow, Yellow-throated Bush</b> <i>Gymnoris superciliaris</i>

SPECIES	
166	<b>Sparrowhawk, Black</b> <i>Accipiter melanoleucus</i>
167	<b>Sparrowhawk, Little</b> <i>Accipiter minullus</i>
168	<b>Spurfowl, Natal</b> <i>Pternistis natalensis</i>
169	<b>Spurfowl, Swainson's</b> <i>Pternistis swainsonii</i>
170	<b>Starling, Cape</b> <i>Lamprotornis nitens</i>
171	<b>Starling, Red-winged</b> <i>Onychognathus morio</i>
172	<b>Starling, Violet-backed</b> <i>Cinnyricinclus leucogaster</i>
173	<b>Stonechat, African</b> <i>Saxicola torquatus</i>
174	<b>Stork, Marabou</b> <i>Leptoptilos crumenifer</i> (NT, LC)
175	<b>Stork, Woolly-necked</b> <i>Ciconia episcopus</i>
176	<b>Sunbird, Amethyst</b> <i>Chalcomitra amethystina</i>
177	<b>Sunbird, Collared</b> <i>Hedydipna collaris</i>
178	<b>Sunbird, Greater Double-collared</b> <i>Cinnyris afer</i> (SLS)
179	<b>Sunbird, Malachite</b> <i>Nectarinia famosa</i>
180	<b>Sunbird, Marico</b> <i>Cinnyris mariquensis</i>
181	<b>Sunbird, Scarlet-chested</b> <i>Chalcomitra senegalensis</i>
182	<b>Sunbird, Southern Double-collared</b> <i>Cinnyris chalybeus</i> (NE)
183	<b>Sunbird, White-bellied</b> <i>Cinnyris talatala</i>
184	<b>Swallow, Barn</b> <i>Hirundo rustica</i>
185	<b>Swallow, Greater Striped</b> <i>Cecropis cucullata</i>
186	<b>Swallow, Lesser Striped</b> <i>Cecropis abyssinica</i>
187	<b>Swallow, White-throated</b> <i>Hirundo albigularis</i>
188	<b>Swift, African Black</b> <i>Apus barbatus</i>
189	<b>Swift, African Palm</b> <i>Cypsiurus parvus</i>
190	<b>Swift, Alpine</b> <i>Tachymarptis melba</i>
191	<b>Swift, Little</b> <i>Apus affinis</i>
192	<b>Swift, White-rumped</b> <i>Apus caffer</i>
193	<b>Tchagra, Black-crowned</b> <i>Tchagra senegalus</i>
194	<b>Tchagra, Brown-crowned</b> <i>Tchagra australis</i>
195	<b>Thrush, Cape Rock</b> <i>Monticola rupestris</i> (SLS)
196	<b>Thrush, Groundscraper</b> <i>Turdus litsitsirupa</i>
197	<b>Thrush, Kurrichane</b> <i>Turdus libonyana</i>
198	<b>Thrush, Olive</b> <i>Turdus olivaceus</i>

SPECIES	
199	<b>Thrush, Orange Ground</b> <i>Geokichla gurneyi</i> (NT, LC)
200	<b>Tinkerbird, Yellow-fronted</b> <i>Pogoniulus chrysoconus</i>
201	<b>Tinkerbird, Yellow-rumped</b> <i>Pogoniulus bilineatus</i>
202	<b>Tit-Flycatcher, Grey</b> <i>Myioparus plumbeus</i>
203	<b>Tit, Southern Black</b> <i>Melaniparus niger</i>
204	<b>Trogon, Narina</b> <i>Apaloderma narina</i>
205	<b>Turaco, Knysna</b> <i>Tauraco corythaix</i> (SLS)
206	<b>Turaco, Purple-crested</b> <i>Tauraco porphyreolophus</i>
207	<b>Twinspot, Green</b> <i>Mandingoa nitidula</i>
208	<b>Vulture, Cape</b> <i>Gyps coprotheres</i> (EN, VU)
209	<b>Vulture, White-backed</b> <i>Gyps africanus</i> (CR)
210	<b>Wagtail, African Pied</b> <i>Motacilla aguimp</i>
211	<b>Wagtail, Cape</b> <i>Motacilla capensis</i>
212	<b>Wagtail, Mountain</b> <i>Motacilla clara</i>
213	<b>Warbler, Barratt's</b> <i>Bradypterus barratti</i> (NE)
214	<b>Warbler, Little Rush</b> <i>Bradypterus baboecala</i>
215	<b>Warbler, Willow</b> <i>Phylloscopus trochilus</i>
216	<b>Warbler, Yellow-throated Woodland</b> <i>Phylloscopus ruficapilla</i>
217	<b>Waxbill, Blue</b> <i>Uraeginthus angolensis</i>
218	<b>Waxbill, Common</b> <i>Estrilda astrild</i>
219	<b>Waxbill, Swee</b> <i>Coccyzygia melanotis</i> (NE)
220	<b>Weaver, Cape</b> <i>Ploceus capensis</i> (NE)
221	<b>Weaver, Holub's Golden</b> <i>Ploceus xanthops</i>
222	<b>Weaver, Lesser Masked</b> <i>Ploceus intermedius</i>
223	<b>Weaver, Red-headed</b> <i>Anaplectes rubriceps</i>
224	<b>Weaver, Southern Masked</b> <i>Ploceus velatus</i>
225	<b>Weaver, Spectacled</b> <i>Ploceus ocularis</i>
226	<b>Weaver, Thick-billed</b> <i>Amblyospiza albifrons</i>
227	<b>Weaver, Village</b> <i>Ploceus cucullatus</i>
228	<b>White-eye, Cape</b> <i>Zosterops virens</i> (NE)
229	<b>Whydah, Pin-tailed</b> <i>Vidua macroura</i>
230	<b>Widowbird, Red-collared</b> <i>Euplectes ardens</i>
231	<b>Woodpecker, Bearded</b> <i>Chloropicus namaquus</i>

SPECIES	
232	<b>Woodpecker, Cardinal</b> <i>Dendropicos fuscescens</i>
233	<b>Woodpecker, Golden-tailed</b> <i>Campethera abingoni</i>
234	<b>Woodpecker, Olive</b> <i>Dendropicos griseocephalus</i>
235	<b>Wren-Warbler, Stierling's</b> <i>Calamonastes stierlingi</i>

